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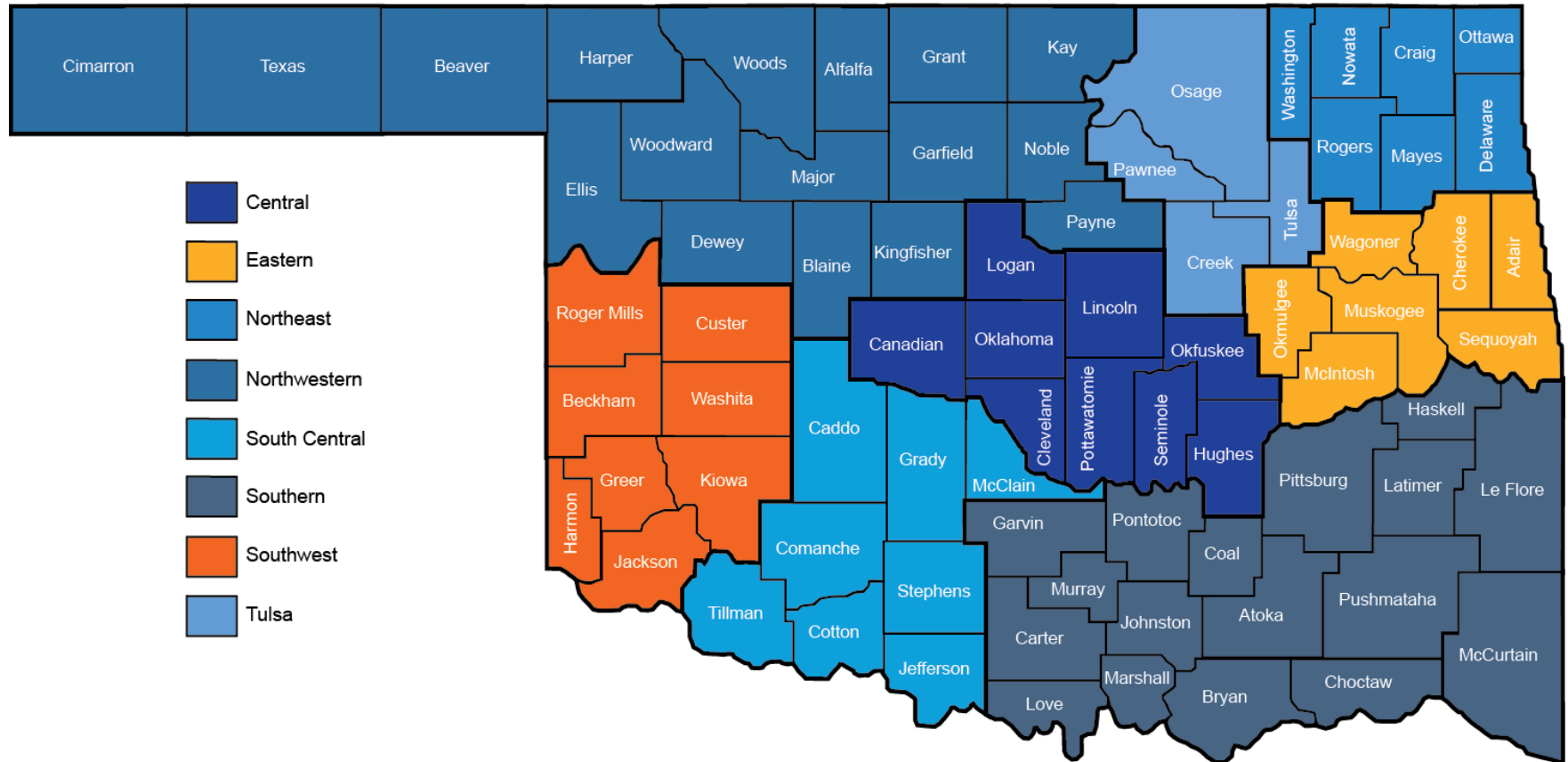
**Moving toward Regionalism
with Data**

Agenda

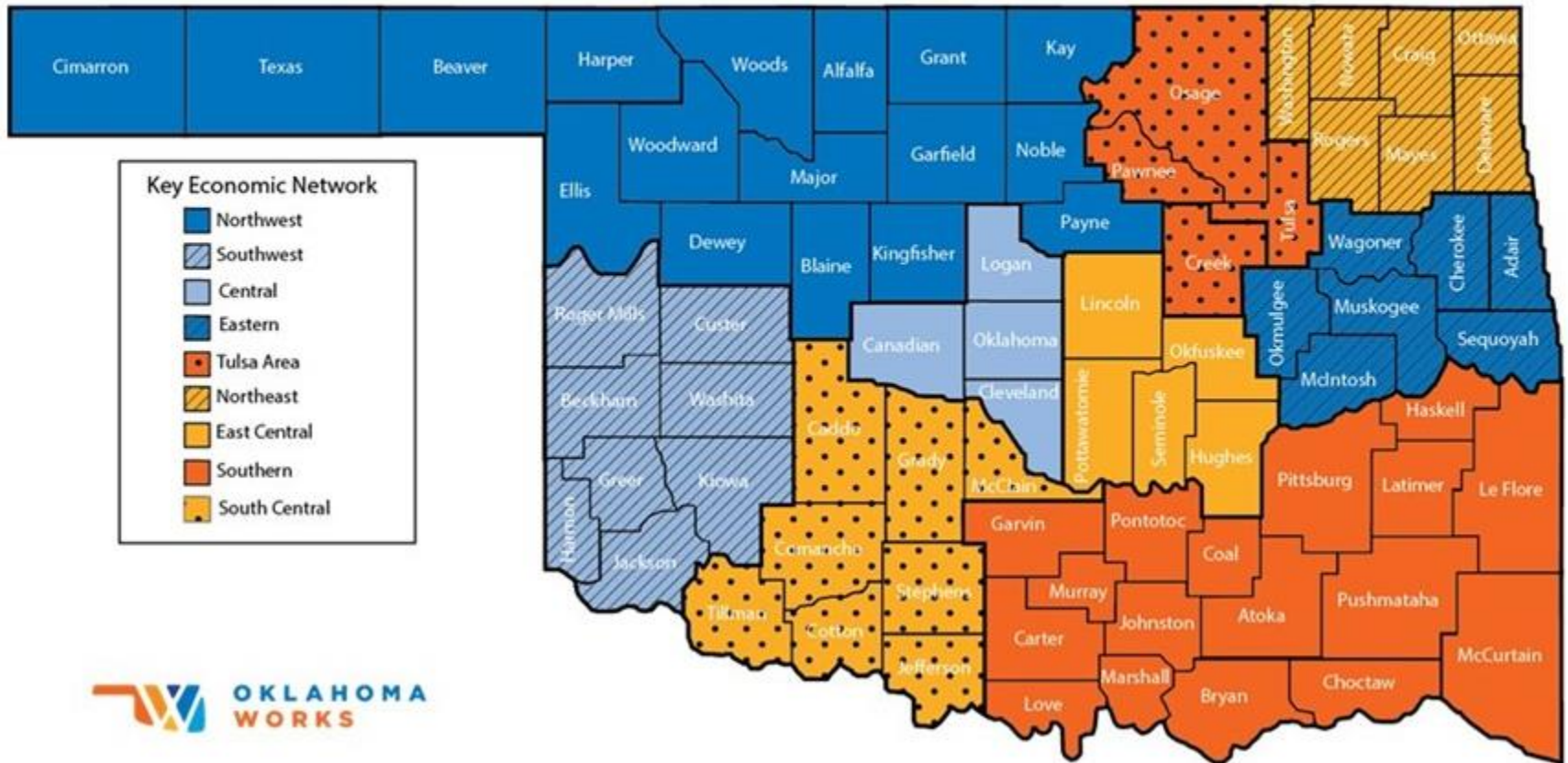
- Organization of Oklahoma WDAs, Planning Regions, and KENs
- Goals of KENs and Planning Regions
- Compare and contrast of Western Planning Region data and statewide data
- Table discussion



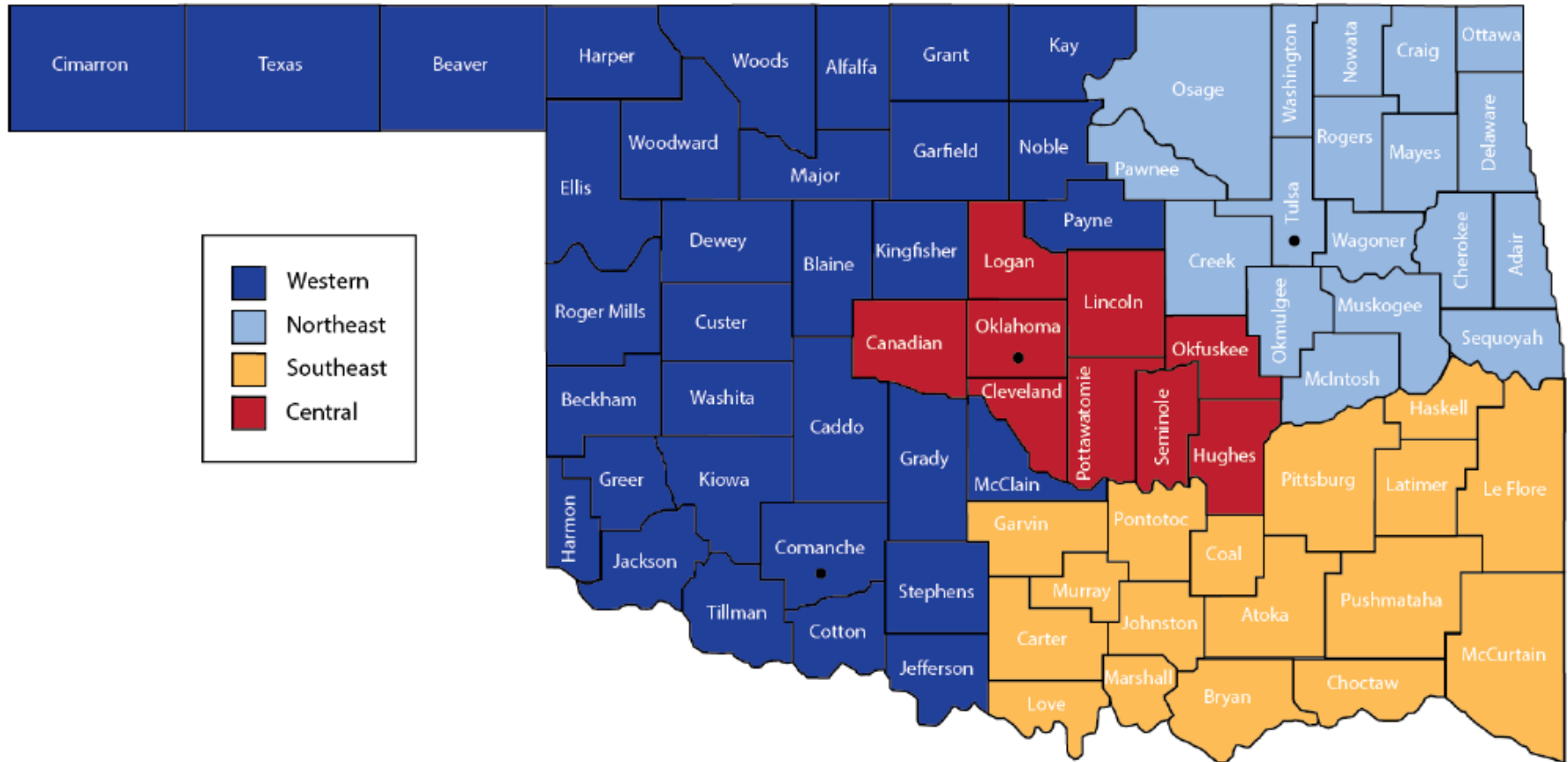
Local Workforce Development Areas



Key Economic Networks



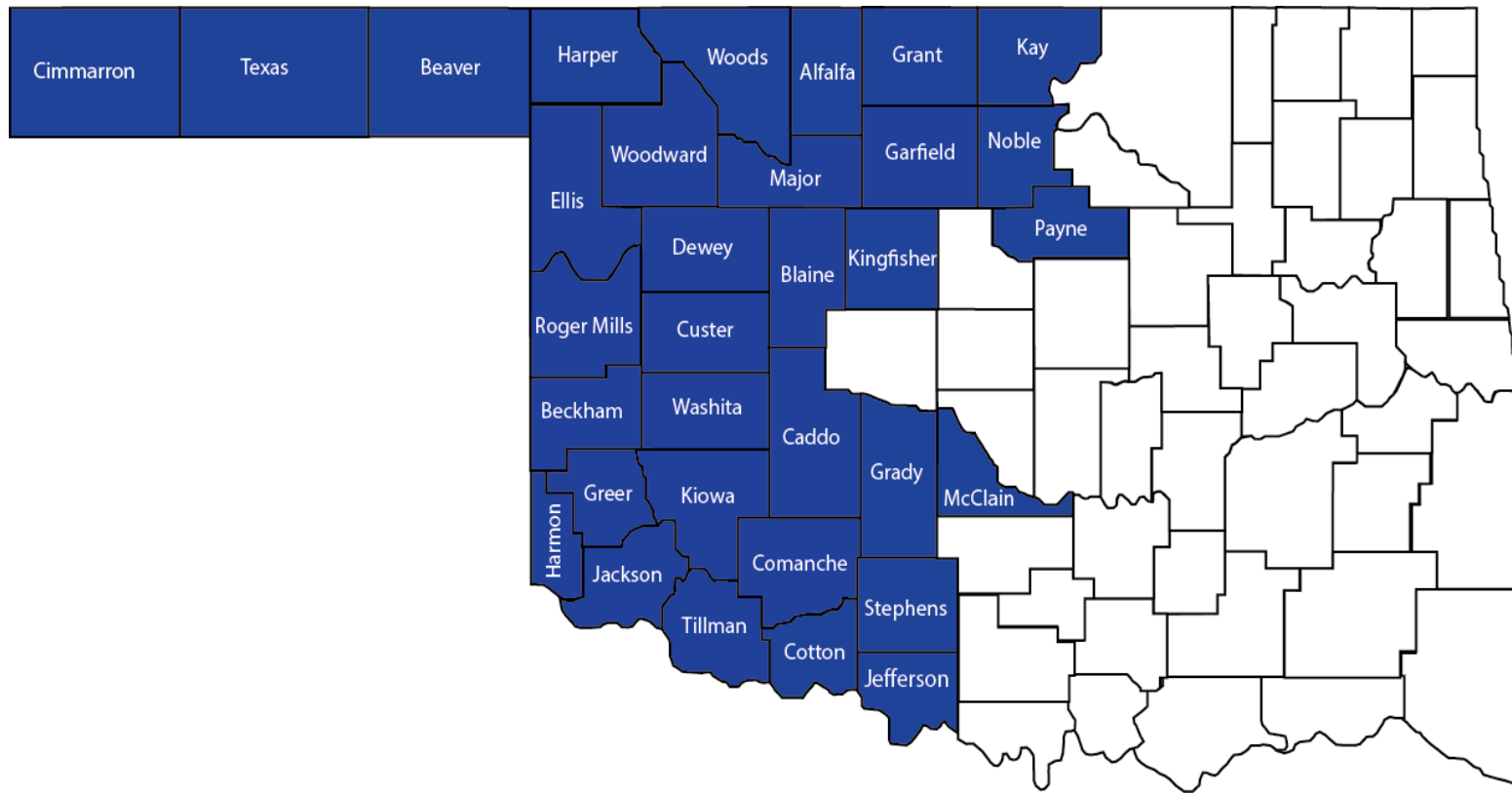
Planning Regions



Western Region

(Northwest, Southwest, and South Central KENs)

The Western Oklahoma Planning Region is comprised of thirty-three counties: Alfalfa, Beaver, Beckham, Blaine, Caddo, Cimarron, Comanche, Cotton, Custer, Dewey, Ellis, Garfield, Grady, Grant, Greer, Harmon, Harper, Jackson, Jefferson, Kay, Kingfisher, Kiowa, Major, McClain, Noble, Payne, Roger Mills, Stephens, Texas, Tillman, Washita, Woods, and Woodward.



WIOA Workforce Development Areas, WIOA Planning Regions, and KENs

- Oklahoma receives federal funds for specific workforce activities, which are utilized across local Workforce Development **Areas**
- In 2015, Oklahoma Works established Key Economic **Networks** (KENs) mirroring the local Workforce Development Board areas
- Under WIOA, local areas are to be organized by regions with similar labor market trends and commuting patterns
- Oklahoma now has **8 local Workforce Development Areas** that make up **4 Planning Regions**
- Oklahoma currently has **9 KENs**

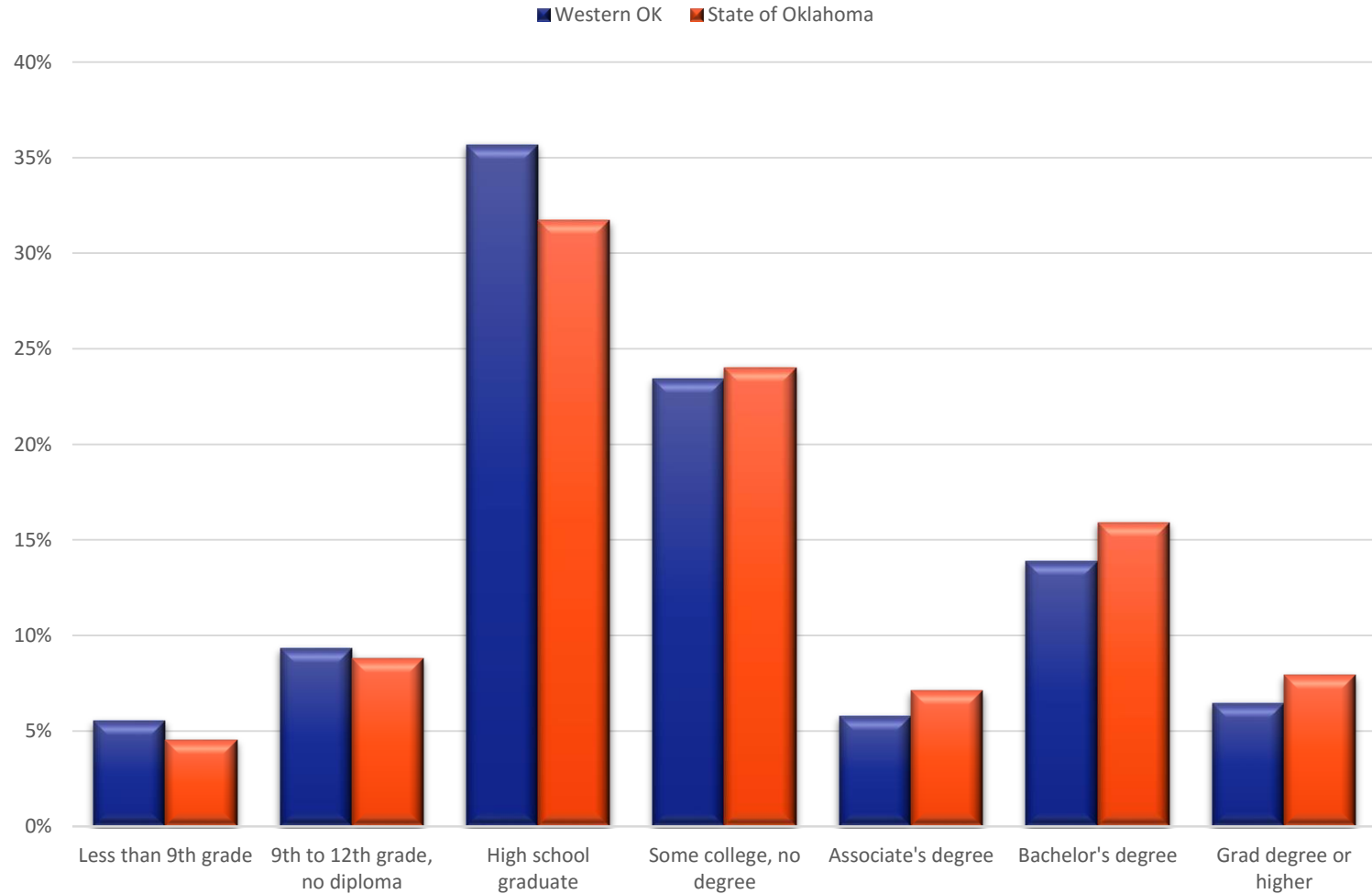


Regional Planning and KENs

- WIOA Regional Planning and the KENs have similar goals:
 - Connect the education and training pipeline with the needs of local and regional economies
 - Align local, regional and state level education, training and workforce activities
 - Use workforce and economic data to inform policy, track progress and measure success
 - Build partnerships between industry and education
 - Leverage resources and partnerships for greater impact
 - Close the skills gap
- Although regional planning is specific to WIOA programs, KENs have more flexibility



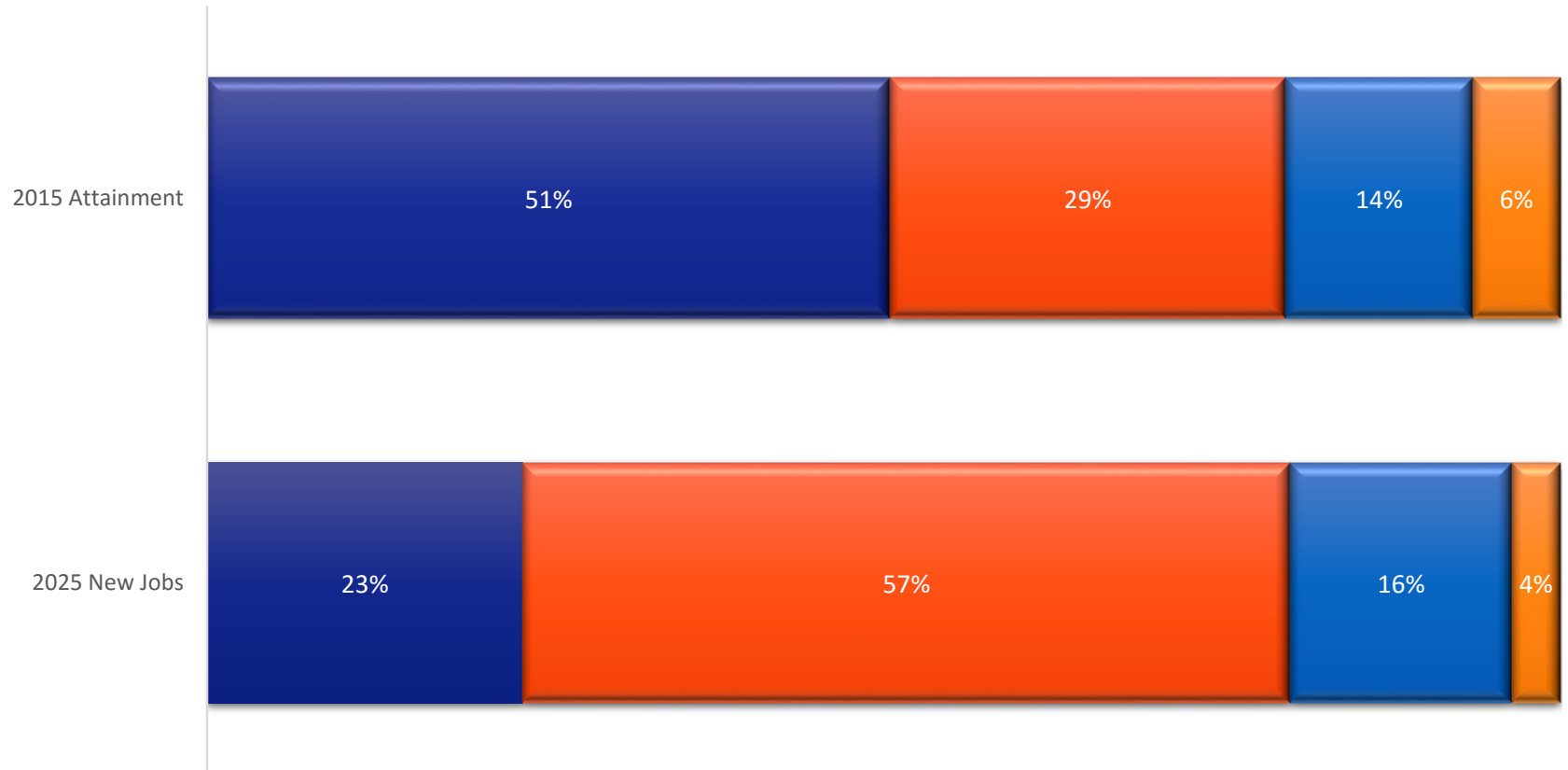
Educational Attainment in the Western Oklahoma Planning Region:



Western Oklahoma Planning Region Education Gap

Western Oklahoma Planning Region Education Gap for Jobs by 2025

■ High School and Less ■ Associates/Certificate/Credential ■ Bachelors ■ Graduate



Top Industries in Western Oklahoma

Government	Construction
Retail Trade	Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction
Health Care and Social Assistance	Other Services (except Public Administration)
Accommodation and Food Services	Crop and Animal Production
Manufacturing	Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services



Table Discussion

1. What does the data show with regard to opportunities in your region?
2. What common strategies might be implemented to address the opportunities?
3. What would success look like?
4. What individual or group might lead the work in this area?



Call to Action

Connect to your KEN Champion:

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- Expand your KEN:
 - Identify a well-connected educator (K12, CareerTech, Higher Education)
 - Identify a business leader in each major industry
 - Identify local agency partner staff
 - Share and foster those connections within the KEN but also within the Region
- Identify partnerships across geographical boundaries

All documents from today's summit will be on

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Breakout Session II:

- **Preparing for Career Pathways**
 - Great Hall A
- **Internships and Externships: Creating Partnerships for Learning**
 - Great Hall B

